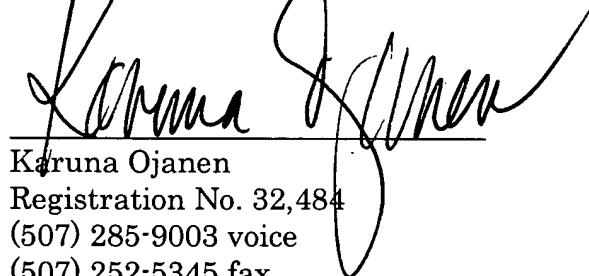


REMARKS

In response to the Examiner's Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment under 37 CFR 1.121, Applicants submit the correction section of the non-compliant amendment mailed 21 July 2004. The Examiner objected to the inclusion of deleted text for claims 2 and 14, even though Applicants indicated the claims were canceled. Accordingly, Applicants submit a new section AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS.

Applicants thus respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the application in view of the amendments to the specification and remarks mailed 21 July 2004 and the amendments submitted herewith and pass the application to issuance. The Examiner is further invited to telephone the Attorney listed below if he thinks it would expedite the prosecution and the issuance of the patent.

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